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HORTUS NURSERIES

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TWO DELPHINIUM

DELPHINIUM HYBRIDS: 4-5 ft., June\$.40

DELPHINIUM SINENSIS: Porcelain Blue, 18 in., June-July25

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Our hybrid DELPHINIUM are grown from seed given us by a famous private grower. Plants have flowers in a fine range of blues and have proved unusually strong and disease-resistant. Give Delphinium room and air, plant in a deep hole enriched with manure. Water well during the growing season and give fertilizer every ten days to two weeks. Use two trowels full to large plant, apply dry.

Formula for Delphinium fertilizer:

*1 part wood ashes
1 part Scotch Soot*

*1 part lime
2 parts bone flour
(finer than bonemeal)*

The DELPHINIUM SINENSIS will bloom for a long period if faded flowers are removed.

FOR A BLUE AND YELLOW BORDER

<i>Anchusa italica</i> Opal: 2-3 ft., June, blue	\$.25
<i>Aster hybridus lutea</i> : 2 ft., August, yellow .....	.30
<i>Centaurea macrocephala</i> : 2 ft., July-Aug., yellow .....	.30
<i>Digitalis ambigua</i> : 2 ft., June-July, yellow .....	.25
<i>Thermopsis caroliniana</i> : 5 ft., June, yellow .....	.25
<i>Thalictrum glaucum</i> : 4 ft., June, yellow .....	.30
<i>Salvia pratensis tenori</i> : 2 ft., June, blue .....	.25

The *ANCHUSA* will give clear blue before the *Delphinium* come and will stay in bloom for about three weeks. The yellow spires of the *THERMOPSIS* give height, and the foliage, unbeloved by insect pests, is good throughout the summer. The hardy and dependable *SALVIA* gives low gentian-blue. The perennial Foxglove, *DIGITALIS AMBIGUA*, has neat foliage and soft primrose-yellow flowers. It does well in half-shade as does the *THALICTRUM* with its feathery blossoms. The *CENTAUREA* with striking flowers like small Thistles and the dainty *ASTER* are valuable for mid-summer.

FIVE GOOD PLANTS FOR EDGING

Most beds, borders and paths look better with an edging.

<i>Campanula carpatica</i> : June-July, blue	\$.25
<i>Helianthemum</i> : (Sun Rose) May-June, mixed pastel shades .....	.35
<i>Iberis sempivirens</i> : May, white .....	.25
<i>Nepeta mussini</i> : May-June, lavender .....	.25
<i>Teucrium chamaedrys</i> .....	.30

Clip the evergreen *IBERIS* after it has flowered. The *TEUCRIUM* is best clipped in May and again early in the summer. Its shining evergreen leaves are a good dark green. The *HELIANTHEMUM* is almost evergreen and the flowers look like small single Roses. The *NEPETA* has gray-green foliage,—plant *SWEET WILLIAM NEW-PORT PINK* behind it for a lovely effect. The *CAMPANULA* can be kept in bloom for a long time if not allowed to seed.

CHRYSANTHEMUMS

We have a nice collection of good varieties and list some of our best. Use Korean Hybrids, double-flowered and pompons to have bloom for two months. Plant in late May or June, pinch back once or twice and feed occasionally during the summer.

Korean hybrids:	\$.35
Double-flowering .....	.30
Pompons & semi-double .....	.25

Two of the hardest Koreans in this locality are *VULCAN*, flame-red, and *LOUISE SCHLING*, coppery-red, *CERES* is chamois-yellow combining well with all shades, *ORION* a bright yellow, *DIANA* and *DAPHNE* are both pinks. The double-flowered *OCTOBER DAWN* is shell pink, *JEAN TREADWAY* rose-pink and particularly sturdy, *RUTH CUMMING* is terra-cotta to bronze. The amber-yellow *ALICE HOWELL* is semi-double, an unnamed maroon pompon comes late followed by the small cinnamon pompon *BROWN BESSIE*, latest and hardiest of them all.

Any twelve plants of one kind and variety sold at the price of ten.

POTS AND PETUNIAS

Pots: red clay, small to large, from\$.15 to \$5.00

Petunias: double white, good plants from pots\$2.25-doz.

We have POTS in many shapes and sizes for windows, porches and terraces, many are priced very low. The double white PETUNIA resembles a Carnation and has a delicious carnation fragrance. Last summer it was offered under various names and with varying stories as to it's origin. The true story probably is that it was brought in from Germany many years ago and that all these years plants have been lovingly tended in some sunny window and so the variety has survived. They are excellent both in pots and planted out. If fed with PLANTSPUR at intervals they make a wonderful growth. We can also provide other kinds of Petunias.

Plantspur: 50 lbs. for \$1.75 100 lbs for \$3.30

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